The Poisoned Breath of Flowers. A Curious Accident Last Week Reveals

a Danger Not Suspected

week, it demonstrated that that the polson in cut flowers that, under certain conditions, may become deleterious to health and even dangerous to life.

Miss Sadle Connelly, of No. 1445 Second

avenue, is an actress who has become wellknown throughout the country as the Mrs. Laffin of "Yon Yonson." On Monday last she received in a large box that was sent from California some 3,000 violets, and they were left in her sleeping apartment over night.

When she awoke on Tuesday morning she was almost unable to move. There was a terrible pain in the back of her head, her right arm felt numbed, and when she tried to get our of bed her limbs refused to support her. Her throat was sore and her eyes were watery. She fell back upon the bed, half unconscious, and her sister, coming in, was frightened at her condition and sent instantly for a doctor.

The windows, that had been closed throughout the night, were opened; the flowers were taken out, and almost instantly the actress began to grow better.

As Miss Connolly was in perfect health and had never before been sick, the conclusion was irresistible that she had been poisoned by exhalations from the violets.

The case has excited great interest among medical authorities, to most of whom it was a complete surprise. Most doctors have always favored the placing of bright flowers in sick rooms, and only prohibited the keeping there of strongly scented ones; this prohibition, however, being mainly on account of their disagreeable effect in certain maladies. That flowers could be positively dangerous was, to most of them, a

Dr. Edward B. Foote, the specialist and medical author, of No. 120 Lexington avenue, was one of the few who were not astonished by Miss Councily's experience.

"The subject has never received the attention that its very serious importance demands," he said. "The keeping of cut flowers in a sleeping room is liable to have very serious effects. They throw off car-bonic acid gas as they decay, and, besides, and more important than that they exhale volatile oils of a poisonous character. When there are many flowers, it is pretty much as it a saucerful of the poisonous oil were placed in the room to evaporate. I have known of several serious cases of a similar character to that of this young actress, and believe that even death might be the

all, were the affected person unable to call for assistance, and should no one hap-pen to go to his or her relief." Dr. Well, of Lexington avenue and Fif-ty-second street, was also outspoken in regard to the serious character of the dan-

"The deleterious effects of cut violets may be tested by any one, by putting a large bunch on the coat or dress, and sitting in a quiet place on a warm Summer night. By inhaling the odor, you will get a tremendous headache. There is a pecu-Har poison in violets and a few other varieties of flowers that exhales an injurious odor. It is narcotic in it a nerve depressent in its effects. It is something that cannot be too carefully guarded against, for it is liable to cause very disagreeable consequences, even in cases

"It affects not only sick people, but even, at times, those who have been perfectly well," he said. "I scarcely think that the self of deary. A case very similar to that of mother words, Dr. Davis soon saw, after he began the study of alcoholic ballucination, say that such a result might not bip possible. The heavy perfume of liles and violet is correposed to the influence has of some sickness already implanted in his system. Paralysis is genue allowed as a fire of an anomelectic actions of para anomelectic actions. Paralysis is genue and powerful substance, in other words, Dr. Davis soon saw, after he began the study of alcoholic ballucination, that #9 per cent of them were of this short paints. In other words, Dr. Davis soon saw, after he began the study of alcoholic ballucination, that #9 per cent of them were of the study of alcoholic ballucination, that #9 per cent of them were of the sink species. The sease of sight was the only one of the first seen. Which always cures.

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Professor F. W. Jeffries, pathologist of with the perfume of flowers.

the Carnegie Laboratory, was at first in Dr. Robert G. M. Taft, house physician For the under dog in the fight.

ter is always load to ter is niways bad in a sick room, as most patients are more or less affected by it. I know of one who could not smell a tuberose without getting a frightful attack of asthma, and of another who could not smell pinks without a similar attack. The effect of odors on the nerves depends on the peculiarities of each individual. Hysteria may easily result, and the consequences of hysteria may be very serious. A New York Physician Discovers the And these consequences are much more likely to affect those who have had some illness or weakness. This actress says she was never III, and I have no doubt she honestly believes so; but I have met of great many who have thought that who in reality have been subject to fainting spells, attacks of Indigestion or other

A curious and hitherto almost unsuspected danger that menaces all lovers of flowers
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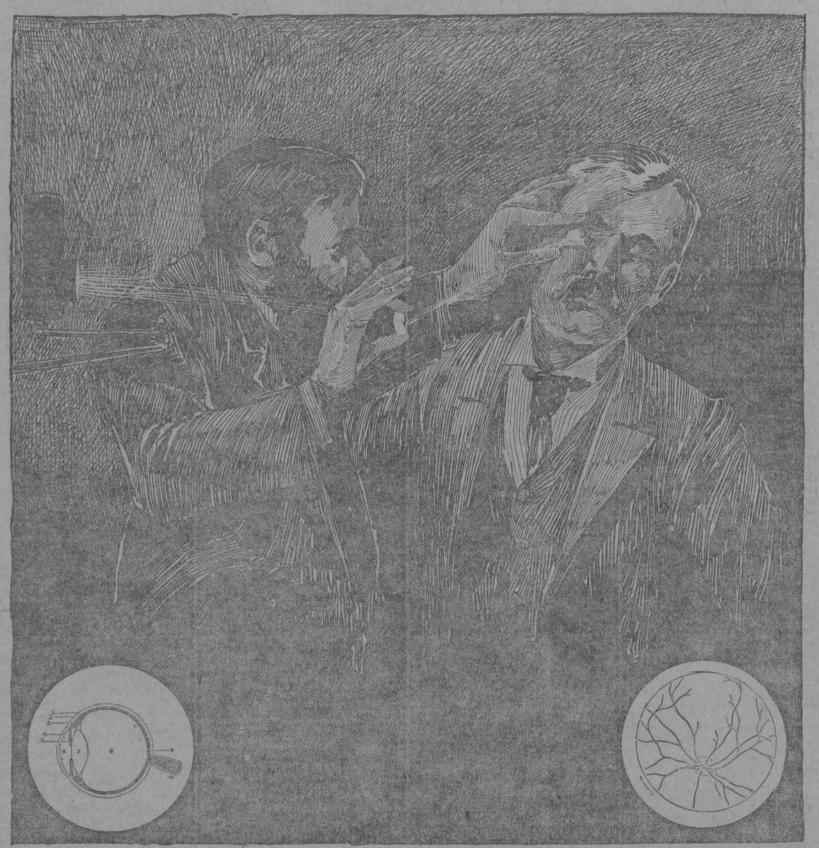
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plexy and headache are, in their essential "Cases in which the throat is seriously af- But for me, and I care not a single fig symptoms, the same. In both the symptom feeted by the penetrating odors of flowers If they say I was wrong or am rightis a congestion in the head. And the con. I meet with very commonly, and the mat. I shall always go in for the weaker dog. gestion in the head that results in head. ter of flowers in a sick room is a point over. For the under dog in the fight. nche is a common result of the too heavy which I have to exercise the greatest odors. You see, then, how easily it might watchfulness. The bronchial tubes are I know that the world—the great big

odors. You see, then, how easily it might be a degree worse.

"I do not think that the carbonic acid gas is the cause so much as the essential oils that all flowers contain. Each flower last its own peculiar kind, and some contain dangerous ingredients. The perfume of a flower is the exhalation of its essential of the carbonic acid from asthma, which had been caused by Which dog may be in the right, but the carbonic acid that a couple of years ago there and been a parient there suffering from asthma, which had been caused by Which dog may be in the right, but they was too hearly laden. For my own heart will beat, will be the

clined to look upon the theory of polsonous at Believne Hospital, said:

breathing nir that was too heavily laden For my own heart will beat, while it beats

even in such cases the dreadful apparition and nerve remedy, and of his cure by And now the Lieutenant-Governor of successful specialist in curing which had frightened the patient was near- the use of this wonderful medicine;

At the same time Dr. Dana afforded Dr. This exposes a good deal of the white of Davis entrance to the alcoholic wards at the eye. An assistant should then take an Bellevue Hospital, for the purpose of mak- ordinary two-inch lens in one band and, ing an investigation. In these investigatepening the eye as far as possible with the tions Dr. Davis has examined sixteen different other, should by means of the lens throw Snakes in Your Eye.

ent patients in the alcoholic wards of Belleve, should by means of the least arrow a ray of light from a gas jet against the white of the eye. The fissue of the eye at this point is so delicate that it is susceptible to the passage of light.

The patient, looking at a darkened wall

studying these cases.

eye of such a patient would have believed ing the veins.

of the retina were found to be abnormal and proaching him. extraordinary. Instead of being pale and almost invisible, as is their condition under imagination to supply the heads, months ordinary circumstances, they were dark, almost black, with congested blood, thick and Thus is the picture completed, and the un-

visible motion in ordinary circumstances. ing at him with their mouths open and But Dr. Davis discovered that in delirium bent upon devouring him. tremens patients they have a clearly visible motion that is somewhat irregular and gives BIGGEST BUILDING MOVED.

He explains this on the ground that the heart of such a patient is in a weak, irregular condition. With a heart weakened by alcoholic excesses pumping darkened blood into the veins of the eye, these veins become clearly visible and take on a decided snake. & O. R. R. in Baltimore, which was moved like motion. Here is what Dr. Davis says in September 8 to 12. The building is 440 feet summarizing the results of his work:

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"Ordinarily, the retinal vessels are so small and semi-transparent that they are not projected into the field of vision and made visible. But when, as occurs in delirium tremens, the vessels become passon of freight, among which were 3,000 cases

any other objects and distorted into endless forms. The psychical condition of the patient may play some part in the formation of the hallucinations of delirium tremens, but I believe the true and main cause lies in the circulatory condition of the feature of the seady of the s

his eye, whether drunk or sober. found by an analysis of the tissue of the retina that the veins are in front of the seeing apparatus. Ordinarily these veins are invisible, because the blood is in nor-

of paper, yet it consists of ten clearly de- the removal, fined layers of tissue. The tenth, or outside, layer—that is, the one furthest from CYCLING FOR THE INSANE.

The blood velns, which supply the retina, on the other hand, are situated in its first

tion. Dr. Davis used an opthalmoscope in under such circumstances, will clearly pertudying these cases.

With this instrument he was enabled to There are four of these principal veins, look into the cycballs of the patients while two supplying the upper and two the lower they were lying in a bed suffering all the baives of the eye, and there are likewise tortures of delirium tremens. The first small veins and arteries that carry back scrutiny enabled him to see the snakes.

In every delirium tremens patient the opveins are made clearly visible by Perkinje's thalmoscope revealed to the stouished gaze experiment, which proves that the perof the oculist the twisting, moving serpents.

An unprofessional observer looking into the erably far behind the fibrous layer contain-

from the sinuous motion that these were actual serpents, worms or caterpillars of couch, the delirium tremens patient clearly were in no ordinary condition. In every one sembling that of snakes, and as they come of the sixteen cases examined by him in the to a common centre at the optic nerve the alcoholic wards of Bellevue the blood veins patient readily believes that they are ap-

happy victim of delirium tremens convinced These blood veins of the retina have no that he is in a den of serpents, all com

them the twisting, erawling motion of ser- A Big Freighthouse Carried Two Feet Every Hour for Over Five

The largest building ever moved in this country was a freight warehouse of the B. long, 120 feet wide and 60 feet high. It is

sively dilated, tortuous, pulsating and filled of china and crockery, but not a dish was with dark blood, dark enough, as I believe, cracked in the moving. The men were enof vision and to be seen, they appear as the move. On top of the old and the new snakes. "The tortuosity of the vessels would naturally resemble in shape a snake, and the tracks numbered forty, each consisting of constant motion of the blood through them | two 6x12 inch timbers. On top of these would give the motion always present in such cases. With a befuddled brain, these objects could be easily transformed into

The 255 wooden pillars which supported The discoveries of Dr. Davis were doubted by some of his friends when he recently revealed to them what he had found. They said that no man could see the velns in his eye, whether drunk or sober. By further experiment Dr. Davis demon- house and the tracks upon which the rollers strated that in this they were wrong. He ran. Two men stood at each jack. At a progress average 2 feet an hour for 51/4 days.

mal condition.

But a patient suffering from delirium tremens lies down and has an abnormal amount of blood pumped into bis head. That blood is dark and thick as a result of his alcoholic condition. It swells and distorts the veins of the retiffia.

The structure arrived at its new foundation without a strained timber or a bolt. The jacks were again used in raising the warehouse enough to allow the removal of the jacks, after which it was lowered to the new foundation. The structure cost \$35,000

The retina is hardly thicker than a sheet ten years ago, and it cost \$15,000 to make

the centre of the eye, contains the seeing French Lunatics Will Ride on Bicycles for the Benefit of Their

Minds.

front of the seeing apparatus, being nearer It is announced in European medical to the centre of the eye, and between the journals that French lunatics are to be sup-retina and the light. Journals that French lunatics are to be sup-plied with bicycles. Certain Parisian spe-This has been demonstrated by what is cialists in mental disorders intend, it

And gill 5 y to live want hours who do not support it. I have never attention of the control of

they consisted of snakes.
Out of a large number of such patients examined, every one reported seeing snakes will in deliriom. Statistics on this subject collected by Dr. Davis show that 05 per cent of the visual halluclantions experienced in delirium fremens consist of surpents in one form or another.

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thought they had been visited by their mothers-in-law, and in still other cases hor-rible creatures with flery eyes and forked tangues had crawled up toward them. But tangues had crawled up toward them are the control of the State.

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